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Responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment under 37 CFR. 1.121 mailed July 7, 2003 (a copy of which is enclosed), applicant as a small entity submits herewith a clean version of the replacement paragraphs in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(b)(1)(ii).

It is understood that this perfects the amendment and no additional papers or fees are required. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 50-1983.

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